

REMARKS

5 In the Official Action mailed on June 3, 2004, the Examiner has allowed claims 16 – 20 and has objected to claims 3, 4, and 11 – 15. The Examiner has rejected claims 1, 2 and 5 – 10.

As shown above, applicants have amended claim 1 by adding the limitation previously contained in dependent claim 4. Accordingly, claim 4 has been canceled.

10 Applicants have amended claim 10 by adding the limitation previously contained in claim 11. Accordingly, claim 11 has been canceled and claim 12 has been amended to be dependent on claim 10 rather than on claim 11 as originally filed.

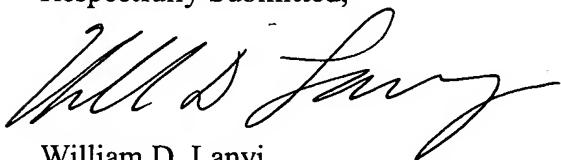
Applicants have also made two minor grammatical corrections to claim 16.

Applicants believe that the changes shown above place the subject invention in condition for allowance.

15 Applicants intends to provide formal drawings after receipt of the Notice of Allowance to replace the originally filed drawings which, although determined by the Examiner to be suitable for prosecution, are informal.

20 In accordance with the changes made to the claims of the subject patent application and the above discussion, applicants respectfully request Examiner's reconsideration of the subject patent application and expeditious allowance of claims 1 – 3, 5 – 10, and 12 – 20.

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